

Festival Church Postponed

Very disappointing to announce we are having to hold off Festival Church this week, especially after we had two fantastic weeks to start our new venture!

The reason is our son, Malachi, has been unwell and unable to go to school and has developed a new cough and needed to get tested as confirmed by Malachi's nursing team. Malachi coughs as a result of most colds/illness due to his underlying condition, so we are pretty hopeful it won't be Covid, but as cases are on the rise, we must be vigilant.

Sadly, it took more than a day to manage to get a test and now I hear it can take 4/5 days to come back. During which time the whole family legally has to isolate for others safety.

This means we can't have people to our property and means Festival Church in the rectory field cannot happen.

There will be services in church in the morning as usual at both Frant (9.30am) and Eridge (11.15am) (not by me obviously!), but won't be able to have Sunday Club for the children.

The challenge during this time is meaning that many things are having to change and evolve at sometimes short notice and we apologise for that here.

All being well we will be **back on 5th October for Festival Church at Harvest!**

Hope to see you then!

Festival Church Kid's - Helpers needed!

Want to sit round a camp fire whilst talking about Jesus?

We are looking for more volunteer leaders to help on our Festival Church Youth and Kids team.

There are different roles you can help with including:

- Teaching a passage of the Bible. And don't worry, all the teaching will be set out for you in advance along with questions for you to ask the children.
- Assisting the main teacher, inc helping with craft, games and supervision whilst on site.
- Being on a backup list of helpers.

This is such an important ministry and helps shape kids' lives so please do get involved.

Festival Church has been popular, so we want to expand the team. IT IS ALSO FUN!

GET INVOLVED TODAY by speaking to Ed - frant youth@gmail.com

You will need to get relevant police checks for this role.

Foundation governor needed for our local primary schools

One of the privileges we have as a church is our deep connection and involvement with our local church schools. As a governor myself I see the huge blessing and impact we can have on children's lives.

We are looking for someone from church to be a foundation governor, such a person should have deep personal Christian faith and to:

- Encourage our church schools in their commitment to Christian teaching and values

- Help develop our schools to the highest of educational excellence
- Develop good community relationships between the villages, churches and our schools.

It is a real opportunity to directly impact the lives of over 400 local young people for good. Being a governor is to oversee the governance of four local schools who are federated together: Frant, Mark Cross, Mayfield and Five Ashes.

If you think you might have the gifts for this, speak to Brendan.
rectoryfrant@gmail.com 01892 752003.
Foundation governors are approved by the PCC.

Church Annual meeting 12th October 8pm, Frant Church

Sign up now to come to our church meeting:

<https://frantchurch.churchsuite.com/events/orxt5khp>

This is for track and trace and mean we can set up the space best for this meeting. The same rules apply for the church meeting as our church services (masks and social distance).

Reports for this will be sent via email in a week, and we invite you to give questions/comments by email in advance of the meeting, so that we can share any responses with everyone.

Church Administrator

We are very pleased to say that we recently received the funding to employ a part time administrator. The PCC are looking at this on Monday, so please pray for us as we try to finalise this. This will be particularly good for when the new office arrives (which should be November/December time (it was delayed due to Covid) and we hope will be able to take us forward as a church to help facilitate our ministry and mission.

Share for Prayer

Our church council (PCC) are meeting on Monday, so please pray for us as we make decisions, that God would guide us through what has been a difficult time for the church.

We continue to remember **Anne Pybus** in our thoughts and prayers. We pray that Anne will know that God is with her in all that she is going through, both now and in the days and weeks ahead.

Also, we remember still the **family and friends of Peggy Sargent**, who died on 5th September 2020. May they know God's peace and comfort in their time of loss.

Also, for **Annette Carruthers**, who has been in hospital, but is now in respite.

If you would like to add someone to our share for prayer, please email the office:

office@frantanderidgechurches.org.uk

Every blessing,

-Rev Brendan